

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: Simonsen *et al.*

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For: Stabilization of Granules

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed 9 December 2009, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this document.

**Remarks and arguments** begin on page 5 of this document.